



COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

*Office of the Attorney General
Richmond 23219*

Mark R. Herring
Attorney General

202 N. Ninth Street
Richmond, Virginia 23219
804 - 786 - 2071
804 - 225 - 4541 TDD

MEMORANDUM

To: Jay W. DeBoer
Director, Virginia Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation

From: Joshua E. Laws
Assistant Attorney General

Date: May 18, 2018

Subject: Letter of Assurance for Amended Regulations – Amendment to Public Participation Guidelines found at 18VAC 50-11

I have reviewed the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation’s proposed Amendment to Public Participation Guidelines found at 18VAC 50-11 that was posted on the Virginia Regulatory Town Hall on April 27, 2018. In my view, as counsel to the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation, these regulations may be promulgated pursuant to Title 54.1 of the Code of Virginia. The regulations do not appear to conflict with the Constitution of the United States or the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Virginia, nor do they appear to conflict with any federal or state law currently in effect. The regulations also appear to qualify for the fast-track rulemaking process under § 2.2-4012.1 of the Code of Virginia because they are noncontroversial.

This memorandum addresses legal matters only and is not intended to serve, nor should it be construed, as a comment for or against the merits of the proposed regulations.